

REMARKS

~~A Petition for Extension of Time of three months~~, together with a bank draft for the appropriate fee were sent separately by FedEx courier. The FedEx tracking system confirms that these documents were received at the USPTO on August 8, 2002.

As the Examiner will be aware the previous attorney of record, Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly, has been withdrawn. The Applicant will now be prosecuting the application and accordingly a new Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent form is attached.

A certified copy of the priority document PP6536, requested by the Examiner, has been ordered and will be forwarded upon receipt.

Claim 130 has been amended as requested by the Examiner.

In response to the double patenting objection raised by the Examiner, the Applicant respectfully submits the following.

In the Applicant's co-pending applications 09/835,457 and 09/835,707, which are divisional applications of the present application, claims 130 to 137 were mistakenly filed by the previous attorney of record, Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly. Claims 130 to 137 should only have been filed on the present application. In an office action filed today for 09/835,457 claims 130 to 137 have been cancelled. The Applicant advises that claim 130 to 137 shall also be cancelled in 09/835,707 when a response to the first office action is filed in the near future.

The Applicant apologises for any difficulties caused by these filing mistakes.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections have been successfully traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is courteously solicited.

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Very respectfully,

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